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By COMMENTATOR

A GRARIAN reform is the touchstone of the sincerity of General Naguib's movement and of the clamour by all and sundry for social reform, and even for revolution, in Egypt nowadays. A group of army officers has proposed that nobody should own more than 200 feddan. This is a most conservative demand: General MacArthur's land reform in Japan was revolutionary by comparison.

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Official statistics published last month tell us the following about the polarization of land tenure in Egypt: 800,000 agricultural labourers have no land at all. 2,852,000 fellahin possess less than five feddan each. 75,000 own between five and 200 feddan. 2,200 landowners own more than 200 feddan. The situation appears in a worse light, if we realize that the two thousand odd landowners possess a total of 2½ million feddan, while two million fellahin each of whom owns less than one feddan, together possess 700,000 feddan, or actually less than two latifundists. However, the landowners still dominate the political parties in Egypt, especially the Wafd, and they are opposing the reform plans. Ali Maher has said that Egyptian economy will not be cured by shock therapy, and even the Moslem Brotherhood, which always stresses its defence of the interests of the "man in the street," has declared that 400 feddan were the bare minimum for the poor owners of large estates. General Naguib announced the other day that land reform is now in the last stage of preparation. We do not know whether the army will prevail over the stubborn opposition of the latifundists, but there is already news from a number of Egyptian villages where the fellahin have taken matters into their own hands, discontinuing their yearly tribute, and even distributing some large estates among themselves. The landowners have enjoyed themselves for a very long time, and it is now definitely later than they think, to paraphrase a song of the thirties.

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The Moslem Brotherhood has emerged as one of the main political forces in Egypt in recent weeks, contrary to the predictions of some of our learned contemporaries. The present Supreme Guide, Hassan el Hodeibi, has shown himself a conspicuous failure, and we should not be surprised if he were replaced soon by one of the less respectable but more extreme leaders grouped around the opposition paper, "Al Dawa," like Saleh Ashmawi (who hoped to be appointed Supreme Guide last year) or Sayed Kotb. What little prestige the present Supreme Guide possessed dwindled following the publication of a picture in one of the Cairo weeklies showing him in bathing dress on the beach of Sidi Bishr talking with Prince Abbas Halim, of all pious Moslems. For this he was strongly criticized by the Brotherhood opposition, which declared that such an outrage would never have happened to their founder and first leader Hassan el Bana (which incidentally, is quite untrue). The Moslem Brotherhood has been asking for some weeks now that the investigation into the circumstances surrounding the murder of Hassan el Banna should be reopened, and the leaders of the Sa'adists are rightly convinced that nothing gratifying for them would come out of such an enquiry.

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Ali Maher is expected to announce a number of changes in his Cabinet after the Id. Among candidates for ministerial posts Abdel Razak Sanhouri, Senator Ibrahim Madkour, Murad Fahmi (President of the Court of Appeals) and Mahmoud Mahmoud (a former State Comptroller) have been mentioned. What can be said about these men is that they are less corrupt than many former Ministers, but they are about as conservative. This will not be the government to carry out social reform in Egypt. The officers will either have to take affairs into their own hands and give up the fiction of non-intervention into politics for good, or recognize defeat. Things are developing rapidly in the South-American way, yet for one Organo or Peron there have been many Gamsy and Pacifico Dias'. There is no reason for over optimism; power has corrupted more than one honest colonel in history. The next few days may be decisive for Egypt.

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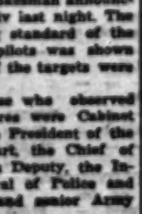
Courts Reject Malan Act

CAPETOWN, Saturday (Reuter).—The Government will appeal a Cape Supreme Court ruling handed down yesterday that declared invalid an act setting up a High Court of Parliament. The Cape Court is one of four provincial divisions of the national Supreme Court.

The appeal will go to the next highest body, the Appellate Court at Bloemfontein. In effect Premier Daniel Malan will be asking the Appellate Division, which was established as final arbiter on constitutional matters, to acknowledge the creation of a higher judicial body.



Dr. Malan

Political observers assumed tonight that if the Appellate Court also invalidated the act, the Government would seek to have the High Court of Parliament override the decision.

Dr. Malan said today that "the road we want to follow is being obstructed by the Courts. What is demanded by us is that as a white nation—as a leader of the non-whites in South Africa—we should abdicate."

The choice of roads, he said, meant life or death to the people of South Africa.

The Nationalist newspaper "Die Transvaaler", commenting on the Cape Supreme Court's decision said it was clear that the legislative authority as representing the people would not withdraw from its stand.

The quickest and best way to solve the clash between the judicial and legislative authorities was to abolish the present constitution as a whole, and to get a mandate from the voters to create a republic, which would mean that the present constitution would disappear and a new one could be created, "Die Transvaaler" said.

The English-language paper "Rand Daily Mail" said "Malan should resign." After the Appeal Court invalidated the Separate Representation of Voters Act in March, it said, Minister of Finance Nicolaas Havenga was believed to have favoured a general election. He was believed to have demanded that in the event of another reverse in the court's the Government should go to the country at once.

But there has been no indication of any Government intention to hold an early election. An election will probably be held in May as the Government's five-year term of office expires next year.

US Will Fight Korea War to Finish

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday. — The U.S. tonight pledged itself to fight the Korean war to a finish and reaffirmed its determination to maintain troops in Europe within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Ambassador Warren R. Austin, Chief U.S. delegate to the U.N., said in a statement that "we intend to help the U.N. see the job through in Korea because success there will be a powerful stimulant in building an effective U.N. security system."

President Truman said yesterday in Washington that he still maintained hopes for a peaceful settlement of the Korean war. He said no secret plans for terminating the war had been formulated.

On the battlefront, American super-fortress bombers skirted the North Korean capital of Pyongyang early today and struck at the Chosen hydro-electric plant.

Pyongyang Radio, usually heard clearly in Tokyo, went off last yesterday during the middle of the Korean war's heaviest single attack. The station did not broadcast today.

The U.S. Navy announced yesterday in Washington that the 1,850-ton fleet tug, the Sarsi, hit a mine and sank within 10 minutes off South Korea on Wednesday afternoon. Two of the crew were killed, four seriously injured, three missing, while 35 officers and crew were rescued. The Sarsi is the sixth U.S. naval vessel to be lost in the Korean war. (U.P., Reuter)

3 Chinese Wounded In U.N. Stockade

TOKYO, Saturday. — Three Chinese war prisoners were slightly wounded on Thursday in a U.N. prison camp on Cheju Island. This brings the casualties within the stockades to six killed and 60 injured during July and August, Allied authorities disclosed today. The three Chinese were wounded by a single bullet.

The Chief Communist delegate to the truce talks, Gen. Nam Il, on Thursday lodged another protest with the U.S. delegate to the talks against "their continuous murder of captured personnel," the Chinese news Agency reported.

JORDAN JOINS WORLD BANK

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter).—Jordan yesterday became the 54th member of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

Jordan's quota in the fund was set at $5m. Her subscription to the capital stock of the bank was fixed at 30 shares with a total par value of $3m.

The articles of agreement were signed yesterday by the Jordan Minister to the U.S., Dr. Yusuf Haikal.

HUSSEIN TO CHURCHILL

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter).—King Hussein of Jordan, 17-year-old Harrow schoolboy whose accession to the throne was proclaimed earlier this month, said today that he hoped the bonds between his country and Britain would strengthen in the coming year.

He was replying to a message of congratulation sent him earlier this week by Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Air Force Joins Navy Manoeuvres

Naval and air forces took part in a target practice at sea on Friday as part of the Naval summer manoeuvres, a military spokesman announced in Tel Aviv last night. The high training standard of the sailors and pilots was shown when most of the targets were sunk.

Among those who observed the manoeuvres were Cabinet Ministers, the President of the Supreme Court, the Chief of Staff and his Deputy, the Inspector-General of Police and his Deputy and senior Army officers.

RED CROSS TURNS DOWN M.D.A.

TORONTO, Saturday (JNA). —The International Red Cross conference which concluded here recently did not accept the membership application of the Magen David Adom. According to Dr. W. S. Skanbury, Canadian National Red Cross Commissioner, only a diplomatic conference could approve the Red Shield as the emblem of Magen David Adom. The question of recognizing the Shield was therefore "beyond the competence of the International Red Cross conference."

Communists Balk At Purge in Cyprus

By SHANE GUEBENLIAN, POST Correspondent

NICOSIA, Saturday.—The Communist party, 'Akel,' here got a rude surprise when it became apparent yesterday that its rank and file do not seem to be taking Thursday's purge of three party leaders lying down.

Last night, Dr. Vassos Lyssarides, chairman of the Cyprus Peace movement — who was accused by Akel of showing readiness to accept a British constitution "with a view of becoming Prime Minister of Cyprus," walked out of a Peace Committee meeting. He refused to take orders from the Communist majority present and insisted the meeting should be postponed and take place when all members were present. This would give him a majority over the Akelites.

Together with the president of the left wing Farmers' Union, Nadji Matheos Nadji-Nicola, they stalked out of the turbulent meeting amid a storm of objections. Mr. Lyssarides declared he would report the whole matter to the Peace Centre in Berlin repudiating the Akel purge of "champion peace campaigners." Early today, Mr. Nadji-Nicola issued a statement withdrawing from the left-wing front and called upon other leading elements to do likewise.

"Human decency does not allow me to have anything to do with Akel leaders," he said. He then invited left-wing adherents and even Akel members to rally round and "oust evil men from the top."

Informed political circles here believe that if Akel goes ahead with its rumoured intention of a purge, more leaders will have to risk serious opposition from the rank and file and it will then be a grim battle for the survival of the fittest.

R.A.F. ON CYPRUS REINFORCED

NICOSIA, Saturday (Reuter).—The advance party of a Royal New Zealand Air Force squadron to reinforce the R.A.F. in the Middle East arrived here today aboard a Hastings aircraft.

The squadron will be based on Nicosia and will train in jet fighters with R.A.F. units on the island and visiting squadrons from the Suez Canal Zone.

Malik Turns Down West's Proposals For Cut in Arms

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter).—The Soviet delegate to the U.N., Mr. Jacob Malik, yesterday rejected Western proposals for a Five-power disarmament conference provided that the U.S.S.R. and China would first agree to limit their armed forces to 1,500,000 men each.

He condemned as "hypocritical" a working paper submitted by Britain, France and the U.S. which proposed ways of limiting armed forces, and he declared that the Western Powers were simply trying to prevent the U.N. disarmament commission from making concrete proposals.

"The Soviet Union deems it necessary to emphasize that only the acceptance of the U.S.S.R.'s proposal to reduce by one third all armaments and armed forces of the big powers, a decision on the prohibition of the atomic bomb, and strict international control on a continuing basis taken simultaneously, would permit the solving of the serious international tasks which the United Nations has to tackle. The Soviet Union insists on the immediate acceptance by the Commission of these proposals," he stated.

Mr. John Cochran, the British delegate, replied to Mr. Malik's statement that it had been "no serious contribution" to the debate but was a "deliberate attempt to confuse and delay any serious programme of disarmament."

Belgian Socialists Protest Clemency

BRUSSELS, Saturday (Reuter).—The Belgian Socialist Party last night urged the recall of Parliament to enable Premier Jean van Houtte's all-Catholic Government to "render account" for clemency to war-time Nazi collaborators.

The Socialists — second strongest political party in the country—made their demand in a communique protesting the Government's decision this month commuting to life imprisonment the death sentence passed in 1948 on a camp warder found guilty of torturing and killing prisoners during the occupation.

The sentence was reduced on the grounds that Belgium had now reverted to its peace-time tradition of not executing criminals condemned to death.

The communique also protested against the "revolting liberation" from prison of a former Belgian colonel sentenced to death for collaborating with the enemy.

No Intermediary For German Goods

HAKIRYA, Saturday. — The Foreign Ministry has no knowledge of any company operating in Germany with the ostensible purpose of acting as a "go-between" for West Germany and Israel.

The Foreign Ministry statement came in reply to a Reuter message from Berlin which said the "Israel-Europe Service Company, Ltd." (Israel Europaen Dienst) had been organized with headquarters in Cologne and Berlin. The company is probably a private group interested in furthering its own interests, it was said.

The company said on Friday that West Berlin would send to Israel between 20 and 30m. marks worth of goods in the first year of German reparations.

The Foreign Ministry said the implementation of the reparations agreement would be confined to a Government body to be set up for this purpose.

The draft of the agreement has not yet been received at Hakirya. It will not be sent here officially until it has been passed by the German Government and subsequently initialed by the delegates to the reparation talks at The Hague.

Advisory Group On Agriculture Set Up

An Agricultural Advisory Council to plan all the agricultural and settlement schemes of the Ministry of Agriculture and the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department has been appointed by Mr. P. Naftali, Minister of Agriculture, it was announced last night.

The Council is headed by Mr. G. Wadmani and Mr. Y. Klausner. The Ministry is represented by Mr. Y. Hirsh, the Deputy Minister; Mr. H. Quast, the Director-General and Mr. Arieh Amir, head of the Field Crops Department. The Agency is represented by Mr. R. Wahl, head of the Settlement Department and Mr. Y. Levy. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry's delegate is Mr. A. Hanes, head of the Food Division.

7 MARAUDERS KILLED, 23 CAUGHT IN WEEK

Seven infiltrators were killed and 23 captured by the Army and police between August 16 and 24, an Army spokesman announced on Friday.

Persia Spurns New Anglo-U.S. Offer to Arbitrate Oil Dispute

TEHERAN, SATURDAY, (AP):—PREMIER MOSSADEGH DISCLOSED TONIGHT THAT HE HAD FLATLY REJECTED A NEW ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSAL TO SOLVE THE ANGLO-IRANIAN OIL DISPUTE, BUT SAID THAT HE WAS CALLING THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT TO A SPECIAL SESSION TO DISCUSS A FORMAL REPLY.

In a communique read to the nation over the radio, Dr. Mossadegh explained that he had been handed the proposal by Mr. George Middleton and Mr. Loy Henderson, the British Chargé d'Affaires and the U.S. Ambassador, on behalf of Premier Churchill and President Truman. He added: "I told them this Government can never agree to this message." Then, addressing the public directly he said: "The Government believes both Houses of Parliament should be called to consult on a necessary reply to the message."

A high Government official, after being shown the proposal, remarked: "We cannot accept this at all. We cannot go back to the legal position before Nationalization, which brings up the question of the 1933 agreement. We cannot accept it."

JOINT MESSAGE FROM TRUMAN AND CHURCHILL

WASHINGTON, Saturday.—Mr. Winston Churchill and President Truman today appealed to Premier Mossadegh to accept a new formula providing for "an early and equal solution" to the Anglo-Iranian oil dispute. The proposals offer an immediate $10m. loan to Mossadegh and a promise to allow him to begin selling oil abroad, if he will agree to submit the dispute to arbitration.

The proposals are as follows:

I) Submission to the World Court of the question of the compensation to be repaid to the Anglo Iranian Oil Company for its property in Iran.

II) Appointment of "suitable representatives" of the Iranian Government and the A.I.O.C. to negotiate "agreements for the flow of oil from Iran to world markets."

III) If the Iranian Government accepts the first two points, A.I.O.C. will "release" for immediate sale oil stored in Iran worth $50 to $60m. Britain will relax restrictions on exports to Iran, and on Iran's use of British sterling, and the U.S. will make an immediate grant of $10m. to the Iranian Government to assist in its budgetary problems."

The joint appeal to Mossadegh said: "We have received the messages from our two embassies in Persia regarding the recent talks with you, as well as your communication of August 1952 (the Persian proposal that negotiations between Persia and the A.I.O.C. should seek to settle the dispute according to Persia's Nationalisation Law and through the Persian Courts.)

"We are attaching proposals for action which our two Governments are prepared to take, and which we sincerely hope will meet with your approval and result in a satisfactory solution.

"We are motivated by sincere and traditional feelings of friendship for the Persian nation and people, and it is our earnest desire to make possible an early and equitable solution of the present dispute."

Today's message is regarded in London as continuing the reply to the Persian note of August 7 this year.

Both the U.S. and British Governments were opposed to a formal point by point response to Mossadegh's offer on the grounds that the note was so polemical that a direct reply would have prejudiced hopes of obtaining an eventual settlement, it was learned here.

President Truman said yesterday that Mr. W. Alton Jones, President of the Cities Service Oil Company of New York, did not need the President's approval for his visit to Persia.

He made this statement when asked at his weekly press conference whether he had given his official approval to Mr. Jones' trip. He admitted that Mr. Jones had talked to him about going to Persia. (UP, Reuter)

UK-Egypt Relations Depend on Arms

CAIRO, Saturday.—General Nagib called on Britain to permit Egypt to receive heavy armament as a condition for improved relationships between the two countries in an interview with the Exchange Telegraph correspondent yesterday.

If the U.S. and Britain do not help Egypt to obtain arms, he warned, he would have to look more and more to Germany for help. Already, he claimed, German installed factories were ready to begin production.

Cattle from Farouk's estates all over Egypt were being slaughtered in celebration of Id el Adha. Egyptians in holiday mood were "giving thanks to Allah" for the expulsion of Farouk.

Land Reform Approved

Egypt's Council of State has approved the Agrarian Reform Bill which goes into operation with effect from July 23, the date of the military coup. All holdings will be limited to 200 acres. A "Supreme Committee" under the Minister of Agriculture will be responsible for carrying out the reform and for providing for finance, credits, and marketing facilities.

The time is not yet ripe for the Moslem Brotherhood to establish a political party, Sheikh Hassan el Mostehi, Chief Guide of the Brotherhood, told a German correspondent in Cairo on Friday, according to A.M.A.

Sheikh Hassan claimed that a great part of the army, including young officers, were sympathizers, members and supporters of the Brotherhood, and that the "Society" does not aim at the use of violence. The European world, he said, has a wrong impression of the Brotherhood, which actually adheres to the Koran, is against violence, and preaches forgiveness and fair treatment to every man.

(UP, Reuter)

Farouk Asks Grant For Young Son

CAPRI, Saturday (Reuter). — Ex-King Farouk has asked the Egyptian Government to make him a grant towards the maintenance of his son, the seven-month old King Ahmed Fuad.

Farouk was also asked to comment on Ali Maher's declaration that the Boy King would be educated in Egypt. A spokesman later read the following statement.

"The Royal Dynasty has always been at the service of Egypt and when the young King is served — and indeed hitlers that time — his education must be considered from a point of view which will best fit him for his responsibilities."

A million pounds worth of foreign securities belonging to Farouk were discovered in a small steel safe in a Cairo office until last week, today. The shares were being kept for the ex-King by Elias Andraos, his economic adviser. It is believed that Farouk has several millions of pounds in Swiss banks.

'$10m. Cannot Buy Iran'

TEHERAN, Saturday (UP). — Oil expert Kazem Hasibi told the United Press that Iran could not accept the three-point Anglo-American offer, particularly Point One, which states that Iran must have regard for the "legal position of parties before nationalization."

Hasibi said that nationalization is an accomplished fact and Britain will fail if it is trying to obtain confirmation of the 1933 agreement with the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company. He said that Iran wished to have no further dealings with Anglo-Iranian and would not consider the Company's participation in oil operations in Iran.

He officiated the offer of $10m. from the U.S. saying that if Iran did not accept $10m., or $20m., from the Anglo-Iranian company she definitely would not "sell herself for $10m."

Tudeh Demonstrates

Thousands of Tudeh (Communist) supporters shouted "down with Britain, down with America" at a mass meeting in Teheran's Fawzia Square yesterday.

They also shouted the slogan: "American military advisers must quit our country."

For over three hours the crowd heard their leaders harangue them, declaring: "The Shah must not interfere in affairs of State. Persia will not pay a single penny compensation, and martial law should be lifted throughout the country."

The demonstrations took place to commemorate the fortieth day of the "July 21 Martyrs Day," when rioting led to the downfall of Premier Ghavam Sultaneh. Martial law had been lifted for 12 hours to permit the demonstrations.

As if by agreement, while the Communists chose Fawzia Square for their meeting, the National Fronties proceeded to the site of the "Martyrs Grave" outside the town. Their meeting was attended by National Front deputies.

CONCESSIONS

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP).—The proposals rejected by Persia represented a major British concession, and re-confirmed all Iran's national aspirations, a State Department spokesman said today.

The three main British concessions, he said, were first that it had dropped its demand for having the industry managed by British technicians; second, it recognized nationalization as a fact; and third, it agreed that the AIOC and not the British Government should negotiate with the Persian Government.

Explosion Rocks Oil Refinery

GRANGEMOUTH, SCOTLAND, Saturday (Reuter). — An explosion rocked the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company refinery here today.

A sheet of flame shot from a leaking gas tank and spread quickly through the petroleum "cracking" plant.

The leaking storage tank, 20 metres high, contained highly inflammable butane gas.

Six men who were caught by the flames were rushed to hospital severely burned.

Firemen quickly got the blaze under control.

American Airlift to Mecca Wins More Moslem Friends

By Jesse Zel Lurie
POST Correspondent

NEW YORK, Saturday. — An American airlift for Moslem pilgrims to Mecca has been front-page news in many American papers this week. An Associated Press story published on the front page of this morning's "Herald Tribune" quotes Beirut newspapers which said that while the U.S. has given Israel material aid, it has given Arabs spiritual aid, a far greater gift than was given to Israel." The A.P. story said:

This American magic carpet operation, requested by the Lebanese Government when commercial airlines were swamped and pilgrims were hopelessly piled up at this Middle East crossroad, was seen to be producing more Arab good-will for the U.S. than any other act in recent times.

A total of 3,766 pilgrims were carried by the U.S. Army planes before the gate of Mecca was closed, and the Mufti of Lebanon, Muhamed Alaya, gave an unprecedented order that prayers for America be included in mosque ceremonies yesterday and throughout the pilgrimage feast of Id el Adha.

The Dorothy Thompson Anti-Israel American Friends of the Middle East performed its first recorded constructive action by providing a free lunch for each pilgrim taken on the airlift.

(See "Post" Diary — P. 2)

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Poland's Premier and Deputy Premier will be replaced soon, Belgrade Radio said yesterday in a report from Vienna. Premier Joseph Cyrank Deputy will be replaced by Wladislaw Zavacki, the broadcast said.

Knesset Passed 76 Laws During Year

By Moshe Brilliant, POST Parliamentary Correspondent

Seventy-six laws were passed by the Second Knesset in its first year, which ended in the early hours of Friday morning, according to data compiled by the Deputy Clerk, Mr. Asher Zidon. The largest number, 24, dealt with fiscal and economic matters while 22 concerned law and administration. The Knesset has adjourned for a two months' recess and will reassemble on Monday, November 3.

In its legislative work the House did not keep up with the record of the First Knesset which passed 85 laws in its first session and 91 in its second. Of the laws passed this year, three measures had been initiated by Knesset committees, one by a private member and the rest by the Government.

The year marked a development in the use of the question-time. A total of 441 questions were put to Ministers compared with 215 by the First Knesset last year. The most questioned member was the Minister of Commerce and Industry, who answered 54, followed by the Minister of Agriculture, who replied to 44. Mapam were the most persistent questioners, having put 172 while the General Zionists asked 66.

The hardest working committee was the Finance Committee, which met 119 times to the House Committee's 65. The General Zionists proposed with 24 motions for debate to Mapam's 22.

The IL.115m. development budget for 1952/1953 was adopted by the Knesset by 56 votes to 12 at 2.30 on Friday morning and the Speaker, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, closed the session with a prayer that in the next year the nation should achieve its aspirations in full.

He hoped the year would be peaceful in the House and in the State and that it would bring peace with Israel's neighbours and in the world.

The closing stages of the budget debate in the presence of a handful of members was uneventful. Replying to a demand by Mapam for the nationalization of the electric power corporations, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Israel Guri, noted that the Government was in negotiation with the Palestine Electric Corporation about the future of electric power in the country since it was doubtful whether the company itself could carry the burden of the required expansion.

Noteworthy about the budget is the fact that 66 per cent of the appropriations are for projects designed to increase the productive capacity of the country. Last year the figure was 50 per cent and in the two preceding years, 35 per cent.

MANOEUVRES IN THE SOUTHERN AREA

This week the summer manoeuvres in the Southern Area, the last stage of the summer manoeuvres, will take place.

The public [illegible] necessary to disturb the public in any way, and [illegible] have been made for this large task.

It is known that this task involves great difficulties, especially of communication.

The public is to refer this [illegible] with understanding and every co-operation with troops for normal duties.

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RUSSIA WINS CHESS OLYMPICS

HELSINKI, Saturday. — The Soviet Union won the chess Olympics today, while second place will go either to Yugoslavia or the Argentine when all the games are played.

Holland came out first in Group B. Incomplete standings on Thursday put Israel second in this group, behind Holland. (UP, Reuter)

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Social & Personal

Mr. Yisrael Shapiro, M.K., left by El Al for Zurich on Friday, to join the Israel delegation to the Inter-Parliamentary Union's Conference in Berne.

Mr. Shmuel Ragoner, Jewish Agency Controller, left on Friday by air for Europe to inspect the Agency's offices there.

A celebration for Dr. Max Braun, founder Zionist leader from Rumania, was held on his 80th birthday by academic committees of Jewish students in Hungarian universities, at the Eldorado Cafe, Mt. Carmel on Friday night.

A memorial meeting for the late Yitzhak Lamdan was held on the Mograbi Hall in Tel Aviv by Mapam on Friday night. Speakers were Mr. Yisrael Galili, M.K. Yisrael Barzilai and Mr. Shlomo Antiles.

Mr. M. Frankl, Professor of Mechanics at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, and Dr. S. Drucker, Professor of Applied Engineering at Brown University in Providence, R.I., have arrived on a visit. Prof. Frankl is to speak on "Nanotechnology" at an gathering and Prof. Drucker is to speak on "Technion-Israel Institute of Technology" at either a.m. colloquium at the Physical Department of the Hebrew University, Rehov Mandlbaum in Jerusalem.

A reception was held by the World Wizo Executive in Tel Aviv on Friday for Mrs. Tovia Arazi, who is leaving shortly for the Argentine where her husband has been named Counsellor to the Israel Legation.

Mr. Shabtai Rosenne, Legal Adviser to the Foreign Ministry, returned by L.A.I. on Friday after a visit to Rome.

Mr. Abraham Menkin, the Hebraist expert, and Mrs. Menkin left by El Al on Friday for Zurich.

Dr. Yosef Lutan, Deputy Chief of Protocol at the Foreign Ministry, left by L.A.I. on Friday on a short visit to Rome.

Dr. W. Rautenberg, head of the Mathematics Division of the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, has arrived on an official visit.

Mr. Y.L. Reuben, of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, and Mr. S. Shoenfeld, of the Jewish National and University Library in Jerusalem, are to leave for Europe tomorrow on a mission to salvage the remains of Jewish libraries there.

Mr. Joseph Berger of Union, N.Y., foreign students' adviser at the Hebrew University, is leaving today by El Al for a year of post-graduate studies in United Nations and World Affairs at New York University.

The Manager of "Clubs" Travel Service, Mr. Bernard Weinberg, Tel Aviv, has returned from his journey to Europe and the United States in connection with tourism.

A scholarship given by Mr. Irving A. Judis of New York was donated to the Academy of New Jerusalem Conservatory of Academy of Music and will be named the Judis Scholarship.

The annual reunion of the Association of Jews from Bessarabia will be held in the garden of the Tel Aviv Zoo on Tuesday evening.

Miss Dublon, School of Modern Ballet, is starting the new School Year on Sept. 1. Beginners from today. August 31, at 6 Rehov Allenby. Jerusalem. Tel. 3666. (Advt.)

Memorial Meeting For Mrs. Luise Lasker

Warm tributes were paid to Mrs. Luise Lasker, who died a month ago in Jerusalem, at a memorial meeting held at her home last Thursday.

Descended from a distinguished German-Jewish family, Mrs. Lasker and her late husband, Dr. Albert Lasker (a cousin of the chess champion, Emanuel Lasker) had owned the famous "Rehbaus" sanatorium in Freiburg.

Mrs. Shulamit Cantor, of Hadassah which had invited Mrs. Lasker in 1934 to join the management of the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem, praised her outstanding abilities and her exemplary devotion to duty. Mrs. Cantor stressed in particular the fact that, after having retired last year on reaching the age of 60 and despite her poor health, Mrs. Lasker volunteered to take charge of the Lepers' Hospital in Jerusalem, one of the most difficult tasks in the country.

Mr. S. Liperman spoke for the Hadassah workers and Rabbi A. Philipp recited the traditional prayers.

OPERATION. — The result of an operation at the Bnei Brith Hospital, Kfar Saba, Dr. Vilner, M.D. carried out at Hitrede nine days ago cannot be reported by more or three weeks, it was learned in The Hague yesterday. The Irish Legation said de Valera was "progressing well."

REVIEW OF OPINION IN FRIDAY'S PRESS

Prime Minister Stresses Need For Military Preparedness

PRIME Minister David Ben Gurion in an article entitled "War and Peace" in "Davar" (Mapai) again stresses the necessity of Israel's military preparedness. At the same time, he emphasizes that there is no imminent danger of war in the Middle East or between the Western and Eastern blocs, so far as he can humanly ascertain.

Dealing with the proposed use of German reparations, "Ha'aretz" (Independent) says a real danger exists that the Government will use the money for current needs and not for long term investments. The Government has not yet tabled a detailed programme in the Knesset outlining the ultimate use of the sums received. We have already been informed, however, that Germany will pay us $30m. for fuel imports for six months and another $40m. are to be used for other imports. "Ha'aretz" criticises the Government for accepting $714m. instead of $1,500m. East Germany, to be sure, has refused to pay reparations to Israel, but even so we should have insisted on receiving $1,000m. from West Germany. Our delegation accepted the German viewpoint on another issue: originally we demanded that payments should be made within five years, but the German proposal of ten to 12 years was accepted. Since the agreement does not safeguard the real value of the money, it is tantamount to an outright loss over the longer period. The Knesset, which empowered the Government to conduct negotiations, is fully entitled to withdraw its confidence if it appears that the money will not be used for development but for current needs, the paper concludes.

A correspondent in "Davar" (Histadrut) expresses similar opinions. Our main task is to increase agricultural output and ensure a minimum supply for an emergency. He proposes using reparations mainly to develop agriculture, since this is our most vital need.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) joins those critical of nationalizing Tel Aviv port. Transferring management from private hands to the State is preferable, but in this particular case the transfer was from a public board to State control, not in itself a progressive move. The difference in status between Tel Aviv and Jaffa ports is criticized. The paper also fears the organizational unity of the port workers and the stevedores will be affected by the division and probably different working conditions instituted in each harbour. The paper demands one management for both ports.

"Nurses' Elections

"Davar" comments on Sunday's elections in the Nurses Association. After outlining important work achievements of the nurses, the paper regrets that it was impossible to conduct personal elections instead of according to party lists, which introduced party politics into the Nurses Association.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist), commenting on the elections, says neither the Mapai reformists nor Mapam opportunists, but only the Communist party is the true friend and supporter of the association.

The "Ha'aretz" caricature shows two queries in Jaffa prison who refuse to be released because it is much cooler inside.

The "Hatzofeh" (General Zionist) caricature shows two housewives quarrelling while queueing for kerosene. One says to a policeman: "She insulted me, she called me a pedlar-in (reference to Bevanism)." "Take it easy," the policeman admonished," this expression is reserved only for war in the Knesset." (This was a reference to some of the exchanges of views in the recent Knesset oil debate.)

Malay Leader Lashes Apartheid Rules

SINGAPORE, Saturday (Reuter). — Dato Sir Cheng Lock Tan, President of the powerful Malayan-Chinese Association, today described South Africa's racial policy of Apartheid as "utterly indefensible morally, politically and on any other ground."

Sir Cheng, whose association numbers more than 300,000, said the people of Malaya were very happy that India had taken such a strong stand "in this fight for equality."

The Indonesian Information Minister said that his country would support the Indian move to take the South African racial issue before the U.N.

Informed sources in Karachi reported that Pakistan also will support India's move to raise the South African issue at the U.N.

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Where to go

★ JERUSALEM ★

9-1: exhibition Soldiers' Zoo Museum, Rue H. Freeing times 2-3 p.m.

9-1; 3-5: Exhibition Jewish Modesty Through the Ages, on the occasion of the 3rd World Congress of Jewish Physicians in Jerusalem, Rassabi Museum.

9-1: Art Library Bezalel Museum.

10-1, 4-7: Exhibition of Sculptures and Drawings by Rachmon Heimann, Artists' House.

9-6: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, Alone Temporary exhibition —Recent acquisitions 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

10-5: Sukkoth Tents.

11.30-12.30: Film Shows at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

★ HAIFA ★

9-6.30: Theological and Scientific Library Central Synagogue.

10-1; 4-6: Exhibition of Applied Art in Israel Municipal Museum, Town Hall.

Lebanon to Ask Kuwait, Bahrein for Refugee Aid

Lebanon is to demand that oil-rich Kuwait and Bahrein contribute towards the maintenance of the 114,000 Palestine refugees now within her borders, ANA reports. The problem is to be placed on the agenda of the forthcoming Arab League meeting.

The Arab League collective security pact is to be discussed by the Lebanese Parliament, the speaker, Ahmad el Asaad, told reporters in Beirut upon his return from a conference with Col. Adib Shishakly in Damascus. The Syrian Army is to be Lebanon's "first and major defence" in case of any aggression, he said.

Jordan, T.S.O. Say Two Israelis Were Killed

The Old City Daily, "A-Diffa," claims that two Israeli soldiers were killed last Tuesday when a patrol infiltrated 500 metres into Jordan at Rummana village near Jenin. The Old City daily said it was quoting a report by the Truce Supervision Organization and the Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission which went to the village to investigate a Jordan complaint.

The report says one Israeli was killed outright, and a second who was fatally wounded, managed to crawl within several dozen metres of the Armistice Lines before he died. Both bodies were handed over to the Israel liaison officers in the area, the report says.

No date has been set for the next session of the Israel-Jordan M.A.C., it is reported.

(An Israel Army spokesman announced on Tuesday that a member of a unit, which was patrolling the Wadi Ara area, was killed when the unit was attacked by a superior Jordan force).

65 COMPLETE BASIC POLICE COURSE

A group of 65 members of the Jerusalem Police force completed a three-month basic training course on Thursday. The graduation ceremonies included a demonstration of athletic skills, mob control methods and armed drills.

Mr. E. Blanker, the Acting Mayor of Jerusalem, senior Police officials and an audience of invited guests witnessed the graduation. Mr. L. Arrahamet, the District Police Commander, addressed the graduates.

AMBUSHED. — A Communist terrorist was shot dead in Malaya yesterday — the 8th identified leader killed in 18 days. He had walked into a police ambush.

No Mutton For Abu Ghosh Village

The request by the Arab village of Abu Ghosh near Jerusalem for permission to slaughter 10 sheep for the coming four-day Id el Adha festival, has been turned down by the Food Control authorities. The authorities reportedly asked that the villagers forgo their regular meat rations for three months if they wanted to slaughter for the feast.

The head of the Local Council, Mahmud Rashid, said that this condition discriminated against his village among other Moslem villages in the district. He announced that the villagers would not, as in other years, receive visitors for the festival.

The District Food Controller refused to comment on Rashid's charge of discrimination. (Ima)

AT THE CINEMA

JOE Pasternak's technicolor "The Great Caruso" (Eden, J'lem), based on Dorothy Caruso's biography of her late husband, is a thrilling and sometimes moving treat for the opera-minded. The great tenor is impersonated in a highly sympathetic way by Mario Lanza. Blanche Thebom co-stars in the quartet from "Rigoletto" and Dorothy Kirsten in "Che Gelida Manina" from Puccini's "La Bohème", but Lanza is at his best in Mario's aria "E Lucevan Le Stelle" (from "Tosca") and "Ride Bajazzo" (Leoncavallo). Another great singer, Jarmila Novotna, is in the cast, and Ann Blyth plays Dorothy. The climax is the Christmas midnight mass when Lanza sings "Ave Maria" with a boys' choir.

Reinhardt Revival

WHAT ever one may think about Max Reinhardt's Hollywood production of "The Midsummer Night's Dream" (Studio, J'lem), assisted by William Dieterle, one can't help being spellbound by the unique spirit of Shakespeare's most gracious poem, even in this version. Though Bronislava Nijinska's choreography is something of a Christmas pantomime, the lout-scenes with James Cagney's delicious Bottom have the mark of Reinhardt, and Mickey Rooney's Puck is a fantastic naughty and naked little boy. Erich Wolfgang Korngold dealt well with Mendelssohn's music, adding to the original score some more Mendelssohn pieces. The picture, held over for a second week, is a delight for young and old.

Recommended

ANOTHER revival, Walt Disney's live screen version of Robert L. Stevenson's "Treasure Island" (Tel Or), starring Bobby Driscoll, Robert Newton and Basil Sidney, is recommended.

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FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.30, 12.00, 1.30, 4.15, 6.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8.00 a.m., 2.15 & 5.30 p.m. English: 10.00 a.m., 4.30 p.m., Sundays, 9.15 a.m. French: 9.45 a.m. Spanish: 6.45 p.m. Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Morning Melodies (R). 8.00 Classical Music. 8.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Music of the People (R). 11.40 Housewives Corner. 12.05 Programme for Housewife. 12.30 Concert Hall: "Le Vecchie" (Coppola); Concerto de Aranjuez (Rodrigo); Impressions d'Italie (Charpentier). 1.45 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down. 4.00 Variety (R). 4.40 Request: Gaby Peyser. 5.05 Tea Time Music (R). 5.40 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.05 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Talk. 7.20 "Bar Kochba." 8.00 The Works of Verdi. 8.55 Radio Academy. 9.40 Symphony Concert. Works by Mozart (R). 10.40 Vocal Recital: Brahms. 11.30 "Israel Awakes Abroad." (1.40 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

Radio Hebrew 1.30 p.m., 7.15 p.m. Sunday 7.30 p.m. Arabic 2.15 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Close. 5.05 Programme for Youngsters. 5.30 Sound Track: Famous Composers. 5.55 Talmud Lesson. 6.10 Songs. 6.45 Close Down.

7.30 Time Signals. (10.0 M.) 11.15 a.m. Musical. 11.45 "Shomer, Calling." 12.30 p.m. Music.

ARMY PROGRAMME (491.6, 246, 227.8 M.): 4.30 Opening. 5.15 Melodies. 7.00 Today's Events. 7.45 Music. 8.00 Request Titles. 8.30 Music. 9.00 Light Music. 9.30 Dance Music. 10.00 Close.

VOICE OF ISRAEL: Hebrew Programmes 8-8.30 p.m. (16, 19 & 31 M.).

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1949 £		£	1949 £		£
1,652,481	Capital — — — — — — —	1,652,214	10,396,170	Fixed Assets — — — — — —	11,735,485
2,987,265	Revenue Reserves — — — — —	3,825,930	3,851,906	Current Assets — — — — —	4,060,043
5,747,527	Insurance Funds — — — — —	6,540,259	14,908,720	Life Assurance Balance Sheets —	15,501,804
2,862,800	Liabilities and Provisions — — —	6,365,809			
14,980,720	Life Assurance Balance Sheets —	15,501,804			
£31,230,796		£34,297,351	£31,230,796		£34,297,351

GUARDIAN EASTERN INSURANCE CO. LTD.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1950

1949 £		£	£	1949 £		£	£
	CAPITAL—				FIXED ASSETS—		
	Authorised £1,000,000				Loans on Parochial and		
	Issued £800,000 in 600,000 Shares			2,500	other Public Rates —	2,500	
150,000	of £1 each, fd. paid — — — —	150,000			British Government Se-		
	REVENUE RESERVE—			280,961	curities, at cost — —	284,581	
200,661	General Reserve — — —	217,028			Other Investments, at cost,		
	INSURANCE FUNDS—			173,118	less Reserve — — —	234,100	521,180
108,979	Fire — — — — — — £122,113						
21,660	Accident and General — 28,384				CURRENT ASSETS—		
138,482	Marine — — — — — 150,575	211,081			Amounts due from		
					Agents, Reinsuring		
	LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS—			108,815	Companies and others	109,894	
	Claims admitted or in-				Amounts due from		
48,852	timated but not paid — 97,905			2,202	Group Companies — —	1,620	
	Amounts due to Agents,				Amounts due from		
	Reinsuring Companies			—	Life Fund — — — —	2,464	
	and others, including Re-				Accrued Interest, less In-		
63,841	serve for Taxation — — 81,044			2,450	come Tax — — — —	2,956	
	Amounts due to Group				Cash—		
84,739	Companies — — — 62,930			68,201	On Deposit — — —	89,986	
6,801	Amount due to Life Fund —			49,009	On Current Account —	36,881	848,630
	Proposed Dividend (less						
7,180	Income Tax)— — — 6,825	226,694		787,259			868,930
		868,930		210,944	Life Assurance Balance Sheet		244,215
787,583		244,215					
210,944	Life Assurance Balance Sheet						
£998,219		£1,111,015		£998,219			£1,111,015

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
For the Year ended December 31, 1950

1949 £		£	£	1949 £		£	£
21,107	Interest and dividends (gross) — —	22,305		5	Subscriptions — — — — — — —		10
113	Profit in Exchange — — — — —	—		4,762	Dominion and Foreign Taxation — —		6,495
24,897	Transfer from Fire Account — — —	28,270			United Kingdom Taxation on current		
	Transfer from Accident and General			40,500	profits and interest — — — —		42,800
8,189	Account— — — — — — — —	3,941		10,000	Transfer to Life Account— — — —		—
13,000	Transfer from Marine Account — —	20,000		13,978	Balance carried down — — — —		22,790
£68,545		£73,113		£69,245			£73,113
13,978	Balance brought down — — — —	22,790		6,928	Transfer to General Reserve — —		14,974
				7,180	Proposed Dividend (less Income Tax)		6,825
£13,978		£22,790		£13,978			£22,790

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Company so far as appears from our examination of those books. We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account. Claims admitted or intimated but not paid have been certified by the General Manager. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us the said accounts give the information required by the Companies Act, 1948, in the manner directly authorised for Assurance Companies and on such basis the Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at December 31, 1950, and the Revenue Accounts and Profit and Loss Account give a true and fair view of the profit for the year ended on that date.

London, April 30, 1951. COOPER BROTHERS & CO., Chartered Accountants, } Auditors

GUARDIAN EASTERN INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF BUSINESS IN ISRAEL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1950

	IL.		IL.
Profit from Fire, Accident, Marine and other Insurance business — — — — — —	13,644,019	Income Taxes paid during the year — — —	2,312,100
		Profit for the year — — — — — — —	11,331,919
	IL.13,644,019		IL.13,644,019

We have examined the above account with the Balance received from the Company's Agent in Israel and with the books and records of the Company in London and Liverpool and certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief the Account is correctly prepared.

London, August 15, 1951. COOPER BROTHERS & CO., Chartered Accountants.

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	°A	B	C	D
Mt. Carmel	31	19	32	21
Tiberias	39	25	39	25
Haifa Port	33	24	31	23
Nathanya	33	21	31	20
Tel Aviv Port	31	23	30	23
Tel Aviv Airport	34	19	32	21
Jerusalem	29	13	28	11
Beersheba	—	22	—	14
Eilath	—	29	—	—

(A: Noon-day at 1 p.m., B: Afternoon (after C) Maxim. yesterday, D: Minim. today expected today)

REFRIGERATED UNITS for ice cream, storage of the "Mevet" company are to be set up near Jenin, Gaza, Hadera and Beersheba. "Mevet" produces 10,000 ice cream portions a day, 75 per cent of which are purchased by Soldiers.

A TEL AVIV engineer, M. Hidyatin, who had been detained on a charge of smuggling clothes worth IL.10,000, was released on IL.2,000 bail by Tel Aviv Magistrate Y. Zeltzer on Friday.

A CLAIM for IL.4,500 in damages against the Dan Bus Corporation was lodged with the Tel Aviv District Court by Mrs. Bracha Chass, of Rishon le-Tsion, on Friday. She claimed that as a result of the negligence of a Dan driver she was injured when a bus overturned in September 1950.

A SKELETON was found by children in a wadi near Council Camp not far from the water tower in Haifa this afternoon. Police are investigating.

MR. S. MIKHAELI represents S.A.S. on the Executive Council of the Shel Chok of Tel Aviv and not, as stated in error on Thursday, Mr. A. Abramski by Honorary Secretary and Mr. Y. Zahavi is Honorary Treasurer.

EYEWITNESSES OF a fatal accident on the Haifa-Acre road at 11 o'clock on Thursday morning in which an elderly man was killed are asked to communicate immediately with the nearest police station.

Mapai Asks Delay Of J'lem Council Sitting

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Political manoeuvring to elect a Mayor of Jerusalem took a new turn yesterday when the Mapai delegation asked Acting Mayor Elzahar to postpone tonight's meeting of the Municipal Council, which had been called for the sole purpose of electing a new Mayor.

Mr. Elzahar agreed for a postponement of several days.

It was learned that Mapai asked for the additional time to continue its efforts to form a coalition that would include Mapam, Progressives, Poalei Agudat Yisrael and Hapoel Hamizrahi. The Progressives, who had earlier agreed to join such a coalition if it were headed by former Mayor Daniel Auster, have reportedly indicated their willingness to support an alternative candidate.

The question of who this candidate will be is still unsolved.

INJURED BY SHELL

HAIFA, Saturday. — A two-inch mortar shell, which had found its way into the Municipal refuse dump, wounded an Arab youth yesterday morning. Moukbil Bin Mahmoud Mustafa, 17, of Nazareth, dropped a shell to prove it was made of copper, and it exploded.

He was taken unconscious to the Rothschild Hospital, where his condition is still serious.

CHARGED WITH INFANTICIDE

RAMLE, Saturday (ITIM). — A woman, whose name is at present unknown to the police, was detained here yesterday on an infanticide charge.

Police were told that the woman had given birth in a field near her ma'bara and had immediately thrown the baby into a nearby well, where the body was found yesterday by a local labourer.

Five J'lem Workers Hurt in Landslide

Five workers were injured, one seriously, when they were partially buried by a landslide on Friday morning at the Mizrahi quarry near Givat Shaul, in Jerusalem.

The landslide was caused by the detonation of rocks on a hill.

Four men were given first aid by Magen David Adom and one was hospitalized at Hadassah. *(Ilim)*

WORKLESS DAMAGE LABOUR EXCHANGE

RAMLE, Saturday (Ilim). — The Local Labour Exchange was broken into yesterday by a group of about 60 unemployed who demanded work. The door and some office furniture were damaged and four men of the group were detained.

Youth, 22, Admits Synagogue Attacks

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Admitting to be the person who broke into four synagogues in Tel Aviv last week and defiling the Ark in each, Meir Zeltin, 22, of 71 Shderot Yerushalayim in Jaffa was detained at 4.30 yesterday morning. He was caught while attempting to gain access into the Great Synagogue in Allenby Road.

Zeltin had been noticed trying to enter the building by a synagogue watchman, and had escaped. A strong police contingent combed the vicinity and after an hour-long search caught up with him squatting under a truck at the corner of Rehov Tchernichovski and Beth Lehem. He was brought back to the synagogue and after his shoes were found to correspond to footprints found earlier on the steps of the synagogue, a number of persons detained during the search were released.

Zeltin reportedly told the police that he was "a Messiah" and that he had entered synagogues "to punish God for not revenging the Jewish blood spilled by the Germans." He knew, he said that God would punish him but that he would ease the blow by telling the truth."

Zeltin was yesterday taken to all synagogues he had allegedly broken into. He showed the police what he had done. He worked in a Jaffa factory, and was reported by his neighbours to be orderly, quiet and well-behaved.

GUARD KILLED BY ACCIDENT

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — Sason Saben, 23, in charge of the guard at the new immigrant settlement in the south, was accidentally killed by one of his own men while inspecting the guard last night.

Police reported that Saben, while touring the settlement before turning in, circled around a stationary truck and was, without warning, shot at and fatally injured by Josef Tvuta, 26, who thought him to be a thief.

Saben was brought to the Hadassah Hospital here where he died several hours later. Tvuta was arrested.

Recruit Killed In Road Accident

NATHANYA, Saturday. — An 18-year-old soldier inducted into the Army two weeks ago upon completion of his Secondary School studies was killed in a road accident near Ein Hush yesterday morning.

The son of veteran settlers of Nathanya, he will be buried in the military cemetery here tomorrow.

Infant Dies In Fall From Balcony

PETAH TIKVA, Saturday. — Two and a half-year-old Sarah Ben-Sassun was fatally injured when she fell from the second-floor balcony of her home in Givat Ramban yesterday. She was taken to Hayarkon Hospital in Tel Aviv where she died today.

CHILD KILLED BY ARMY JEEP

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Three-year-old Ya'acov Bezhar, of Moshav Bitzaron, was knocked down and killed on the Bitzaron-Hatzor road by an army jeep yesterday afternoon.

DIES AFTER BITE

HAIFA, Saturday.—Israel Sher, 51, of Ein Hat'chelet, Nathanya, died on Thursday after he was bitten by a snake.

The victim was bitten about six p.m., received first aid from the Magen David Adom, and was taken later to Hayarkon Hospital, Tel Aviv, where he died.

MAN FOUND DEAD

HAIFA, Saturday. — The unidentified body of a man, 40 to 50 years old, in Arab dress, was found on Thursday evening in an olive grove west of Tarshiha.

The man had been shot dead two days previously. The body, taken to the Rambam Hospital here, has not yet been identified.

GIRL DEAD FROM BURNS

HAIFA, Saturday. — Haviva Cohen, 18, of the Nathanya immigrants camp, was fatally injured when her dress caught fire from an overturned kerosene stove on Thursday. She was taken to Hayarkon Hospital in Tel Aviv where she died the same day.

TRADE. — An agreement valid for one year, increasing the value of trade between France and Turkey by 25 million francs, was signed in Paris yesterday by the leaders of the two countries' trade delegations.

Israel's Export Potential Now $130m., U.S. Bond Men Told

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Israel's industrial export potential was placed at $130m. yesterday by the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Dr. Dov Joseph, who spoke to a delegation of American business and communal leaders composing the Planning Commission for the 1952 campaign on behalf of Israel Bonds.

Dr. Joseph, addressing a seminar for the delegation at Bat Yam, said Israel's exports in 1951 totalled $128m. Power and raw materials were cited as the chief basic needs of an expanded industrial output.

Emphasis was placed by Dr. Joseph on the country's need for foreign currency not only to enable the development of Israel's industry, but also in meeting food requirements. He pointed out that the country produces only five per cent of its required wheat and 30 per cent of the meat consumed. No sugar or oil is produced locally at present, he added.

Israel Bond money provides an essential foundation for developing a sound economy for the country, Dr. Heinz Grunebaum, former director of the Government Investment Centre, told the delegates in an afternoon address. Only Bond funds, he said, could provide the dollars necessary for the purchase of power, equipment and raw materials without which Israel could not realize her full industrial capacity.

The Bond delegation was the guest of the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Monnett Davis, at the Embassy this evening. An inspection of industrial areas in Tel Aviv and a luncheon as the guests of Minister Bernstein will be followed on Sunday with a visit to Haifa and further inspections of industry and meetings with city and Government leaders.

Citrus Board Chief Leaves for Europe

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday (ITIM). — Mr. Zvi Izakson, chairman of the Citrus Marketing Board's sales delegation to Europe, left by L.A.I. yesterday for Geneva. He will be joined there next week by Mr. Y. Horin and Mr. Yitzhak Rokach, other members of the delegation.

Before leaving, Mr. Izakson said that the "first round" in the discussions on local prices and currency rates had ended "not to the liking of the growers, and not to the benefit of the citrus industry, the most important economic branch in the country." He said that the growers had demanded a special export currency rate to make local citrus competitive on world markets, but the Minister of Finance had again suggested normal exchange rates with an export premium.

Mr. Izakson said that world markets were ready to buy 6m. cases of Israel fruit, while the local groves produce total of 8m. Last year only 3.7m. cases were sold abroad, but it is hoped to increase this quantity during the coming season. The delegation will be abroad about 10 weeks and will visit Britain, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Holland, Belgium, France, and Switzerland.

Hunger Strikers Go Back to Ma'bara

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Following the energetic intervention of the Association of Iraqi Immigrants, the demonstrators from the Rehovot ma'bara returned to their ma'bara yesterday morning. They had spent five days on the pavement outside the Jewish Agency offices here and four days on a hunger strike.

The immigrants had demanded that the Agency build huts for them at the present site of the ma'bara, and not a small distance from it, as was proposed. After prolonged talks, it was agreed yesterday that an Agency engineer, a representative of the National Planning Council and of the ma'bara committee would re-examine the matter this week. The immigrants reportedly agreed to do what would appear "logical". This same proposal had been rejected by the demonstrators the previous day.

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'No Hope for Peace With UJA,' Venezky

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday (ITIM).—Mr. Julian Venesky, chairman of the Executive Board of the Bond Drive in the U.S., arrived here by L.A.I. yesterday, to join the delegation of Bond Drive leaders now touring Israel.

Mr. Venesky said that there was no hope for a successful outcome of the efforts to coordinate the work of the U.J.A. and the Bond Drive in the U.S. as U.J.A. leaders had rejected a suggestion for a coordinated time table put forward by the Bond Drive and Israel Ambassador A. Eban, chairman of the Coordinating Committee.

He said that the U.J.A. wanted the Bond Drive to be suspended for nine months of the year—a suggestion which could not be met, Mr. Venesky said. He added that the Bond Drive would therefore continue to function anywhere in the U.S. at any time thought fit.

Another member who arrived yesterday to join the delegation was Mr. Benjamin Abrams, Bond Drive chairman in New York, who came here by Air France. Mr. Abrams, who is President of the Emerson Radio and Television Corporation, will investigate possibilities of establishing a radio factory in Israel.

Neumann Asks Meeting Of Foreign Investors

A meeting of representatives of large Jewish investment firms from abroad with the Government and the Jewish Agency was suggested by Mr. Emanuel Neumann, head of the Agency's Economic Department, at a meeting of the Executive in Jerusalem on Friday. Mr. Neumann was reporting on his trip to the U.S. and South Africa for the Appeal drives.

Possibilities of broader activity in South Africa on behalf of Israel were bright, Mr. Neumann said. In a survey of the Zionist parties there he spoke on the background for the creation of a non-affiliated Zionist group.

In the U.S. Mr. Neumann found the newly-elected Executive of the Zionist Organization of America showing signs of "greater Zionist activity." The speaker described the political activities on behalf of Israel, and reported on the efforts being made to right the situation in the Zionist Emergency Council.

Mr. A. Dobkin spoke on his recent visit to the Jewish communities of South America (reported in The POST last Thursday.)

Mr. Y. Bergmann told the Agency Executive of the background of the hunger strike of the residents of the Rehovot ma'bara, and announced the end of the strike.

The twice-postponed meeting of the Israel members of the Zionist General Council is to be held on Thursday in Jerusalem. Mr. Ben Locker, Chairman of the Executive, announced.

Youths Beaten Up

NAZARETH, Saturday. — While distributing anti-Communist pamphlets, four youths in Nazareth were beaten and the pamphlets in their possession were torn by men alleged to be Communists.

The police arrested two members of the Communists youth organization.

This is the third time anti-Communist pamphlets have been distributed by the organization to fight Communism in Israel.

Moslems Begin El Adha Feast

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Id el Ahda, the four-day feast of sacrifice which marks the climax of the annual Haj pilgrimage, began yesterday morning throughout the Moslem world.

The feast is believed to date back to the early days of Mohammed's exile in Medina where he became acquainted with Judaism. He proclaimed a one-day feast similar to the Day of Atonement in memory of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son, whom Moslems believe was Ismael and not Isaac.

Prime Minister Ben Gurion yesterday extended his best wishes to the country's 130,000 Moslems and 17,000 Druse. Due to Israel's shortage of foreign currency, it was impossible to distribute the traditional special food ration. This year's feast, however, coincides with a bountiful harvest which brought prosperity to many Israel Arabs.

Israel's four Kadis and two Moslem Advisory Committees are to give receptions to notables and village elders on the first two days. Cigarettes and sweets are to be distributed among the Arab prisoners in Jaffa, Tel Mond and Ramle prisons, and alms are to be given to the poor and needy.

U.S. to Spend $3.5m. in Jordan

The U.S. Point Four Programme is to spend $3.5m. in Jordan, "A-Diffa" reports. The money will be used for industrial schemes such as a Dead Sea potash works and a phosphate plant, and agricultural projects such as soil conservation, the Old City daily states.

Kfar Mordecai Dedicated

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Kfar Mordecai, the middle-class village near Gedera named after the late Mordecai Elizah, Israel's first Minister to Britain, was formally dedicated on Thursday night. Most of the settlers are from Anglo-Saxon countries and have a farming area of 2,000 dunams.

During past months the villagers have been living in Swedish prefabricated huts, but the first 47 families have now moved into their permanent homes, erected by Rassco with the assistance of the Farmers' Council.

TEL AVIVIAN BECOMES GERMAN STATE RABBI

FRANKFURT, Saturday (Reuter).—Dr. Harry Levy, a former resident of Israel, has assumed his post as State Rabbi for Hesse and Rabbi of the Frankfurt Jewish Community.

He replaces Dr. Wilhelm Weinberg who has emigrated to the U.S.

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U.S. Not to Raise Price of Gold

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder said yesterday that the U.S. position on gold remained unchanged — America would continue to buy and sell gold at $35 an ounce.

Mr. Snyder made this statement at a press conference at which he announced the members of the 15-member U.S. delegation to the World Bank and International Monetary Fund meetings in Mexico City starting on September 3rd. He will head the delegation.

Indonesia May Invite Foreign Capital

JAKARTA, Saturday (UP).—The Indonesian Prime Minister announced today that his country may ask for "foreign investments in the near future," but added that Indonesia would not follow Burma's example in asking for economic aid from the Soviet Union.

The Premier said that the recent slump in world prices for Indonesian exports forced the Government to re-examine its investments policy.

"We will welcome foreign capital and we need it. If the Chinese Communist Government opened its doors to all types of foreign investments why then should not Indonesia, which is not Communist, open its doors too?" he asked.

The Premier declined to divulge any details but said that "certain conditions under which investments can be made will be specified." These, he added, would insure the country's ability to continue its independent foreign policy without obligation or entanglement with other nations.

Asked if Indonesia would continue to claim reparations from Japan, the Premier replied that he believed it would.

USSR Accuses Austria of Nazism

VIENNA, Saturday (Reuter). — The Soviet High Commissioner in Austria, Lt. General Sviridov, yesterday accused the Austrian Government of not disarming, de-Nazifying or creating a democratic state. General Sviridov read a 20-page document at the Allied Council meeting in which he declared that the situation in Austria "could not be tolerated any longer."

The Soviet High Commissioner avoided discussion on his statement and closed the meeting, of which he was chairman, as quickly as possible. U.S. observers suggested that the motive was to forestall any attempt to bring the Austrian case for a peace treaty before the U.N. general Assembly.

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Greek-Yugoslav Economic Link Fixed

ATHENS, Saturday (Reuter). —Greece and Yugoslavia have decided to set up a mixed commission to consider bringing the economies of the two countries more closely together.

A statement issued after a meeting between Mr. T. Vukmanovic, Yugoslav Minister for Industry, and Mr. Georges Kartalis, Greek Minister for Economic Co-ordination, said such a rapprochement was even more desirable than had been thought. It would open the possibility of commercial exchanges and general economic collaboration.

The commission will begin work next week.

King Paul and Queen Frederika today received 14 Yugoslav Deputies touring Greece. Members of the Greek Government, the Diplomatic Corps, and political leaders were present.

The Yugoslav deputies are led by Mosha Pijade, Vice-Chairman of the Yugoslav National Assembly and member of the Yugoslav Communist Politburo.

Greek Deputy Premier Sophocles Venizelos stated today that he explained to Admiral Robert Carney, Commander in Chief NATO Forces in Southern Europe, the Greek Government's plan to save money by reducing military service to two years from the existing 30 to 24 months.

Admiral Carney replied that the plan might not necessarily curtail expenditure, but stressed that it was a question for the Greek Government itself to settle, Mr. Venizelos said.

Admiral Carney left Athens for Naples later after watching large amphibious exercises in Northern Greece.

MONGOLIAN PREMIER TO SEE STALIN

MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuter). — Mongolian Premier Tumerelk Tsededal is expected to be received soon by Marshal Stalin.

The Soviet-Chinese talks — in which he will join — may result in a Soviet-Mongolian-Chinese-Communist agreement on a coordinated policy towards Korea, Japan and the Western powers in Asia.

DEATH. — The Albanian Government has introduced the death penalty for any person over 12 years-of-age who is associated with any form of anti-state activity, Belgrade Radio announced last night.

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TRADE. — An official of the Indian Commercial Bureau said in Nagpur, India, yesterday that orders totalling 100m. for cotton and other exportable had been placed with Japanese manufacturers.

CAMPAIGN. — Three of the four candidates in Chile's Presidential election next week are staging speeches through the streets of Santiago this week-end, their last show of strength before the voting.

TRIAL. — The trial of 18 members of subversive Communist Party cases came under examination, opened in Bucharest on Friday. All 18 are alleged to have had connections with the U.S. Military Mission in Rumania.

CRASH. — A new British commercial plane, taking home the current fair rally a few days after crashed in flames in Southern France yesterday. Six pilots lost on safety.

Republican Policy Statement Issued

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter).—A Republican committee, of which Senator Robert Taft is chairman, today issued a campaign programme listing foreign policy as the chief issue of the election this year.

The platform lists as other key issues—corruption in the Government, Communists in the Government, expenditure and economy, civil rights, and the record of Republicans in recent sessions of Congress.

General Eisenhower, the Republican Presidential nominee, said today there would be no cessation for Russian workers to be pushed along "the broad middle way toward prosperity without war."

General Eisenhower said in a Labour Day statement that he intended to speak out in the days ahead "on the great issues with which troubles every one of us," and to crusade labour in developing its views and contributions.

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THE adjournment of the Knesset for the long recess affords an opportunity to review broadly the achievements both of the law-makers and the executive.

KNESSET BALANCE SHEET

Much of a positive nature has been done. What has been left undone stems from two main causes: the uneasy character of the coalition and the still imperfect machinery of the Knesset.

The coalition has suffered from the fact that it was not composed of elements whose political and social aims were even approximately identical; but of a majority party, representing the main body of all workers, and a religious element, comprising a range of economic interests from extreme right to left, with theological standards all the way from intolerance to moderation.

The Knesset machinery itself falls short of the highest productivity. It is no reflection on the legislators to say that too much is left to committees and inevitably perhaps too little time available for full debate, or the raising of issues of importance by private members. Moreover, the present inadequate size of the newspapers means restricted reporting of Knesset proceedings with a consequent loss of that lively public interest in Parliament which is the lifeblood of democracy.

But with all these qualifications and in the face of all these disabilities, both the Government and Knesset have to their credit a year of courageous and persistent effort and much positive achievement. On the home front there has been good legislation in the realm of social justice, the nationality and citizenship acts, and the care for juveniles. On the food front, a year ago the nation was certainly undernourished; the present session closed on a note of debate as to whether it was or not, with those who took the gloomier view having to fight very hard to prove their case.

This, in its turn, reflects an improvement in the economic outlook with the political implications involved. Until the gap between exports and imports is closed and the cost of absorption of immigrants can be met from current income in all its forms, the problem of whatever government in power will be to maintain a volume of assistance from outside, particularly from the United State of America. So far, the government has succeeded in retaining the good will of the great American democracy in generous measure. Technical aid and other assistance have flowed freely, and military aid (without commitments) is already foreshadowed. On top of the two loans from the Import-Export Bank, there have been two grants in aid, and essential supplies and other services running into tens of millions of dollars; and not least, the loan of vital technical advisers and their skills.

The request for British sterling to cover oil imports was not agreed to. It was a kind of melancholy half consolation to know that Britain's refusal was not based on ill-will but on that government's own balance of payment difficulties. However, right at the end of the session, the successful conclusion of the talks with Germany promised over 300m. in reparations, largely in the form of capital goods — with all its revolutionary effects on our economy.

The Israel Bond issue in America continued to contribute to the nation's treasury, with the widespread willingness to invest attesting in no little measure to the investor's confidence in Israel's future. The United Jewish Appeal, particularly in the United States, kept up the flow of gift monies that bear no interest payments.

A vast proportion of Israel's budget goes on defence. It was therefore heartening to see that the session closed on the hopeful note of a possibility of the new regime in Egypt providing a calmer atmosphere in which peace talks between that power and Israel might not be entirely fruitless. This prospect is no more than that, but Mr. Ben Gurion showed courage and vision in making his overture when he did.

The New Year will have begun before the Knesset meets again in November. Its members will then face fresh tasks and problems which are sure to make great demands upon their energies. It will be their task to see that advantages of last session but, especially, there is much encouragement to be derived from the successful achievements.

THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

Plans Needed to Avoid Rush

By GERDA LUFT

THE last week of the session put a great strain on the members of the Knesset as final votes were taken on one bill after another. The unusual heat made work in the Knesset-building even more uncomfortable than usual, and the determination of the Government to push through the Oil Law and the Development Budget together with the obstinacy of the opposition not to give way on "motions on adjournment" made it necessary for the House to prolong sessions and for the main committees to double and treble their working hours. Even a non-confidence-motion had to be dealt with at the last hour in connection with military aid negotiations between Israel and the United States. Taken as a whole the last week was a perfect example of how not to plan parliamentary work.

The Knesset will have to do something about its manners. Political struggle is the soul of a Parliament but the form it took last week between Mr. David Hacohen, of Mapai, as Dr. Sneh, of Mapam, was utterly devoid of both decorum and dignity. It is not simply the habit of using "unparliamentary language." Interruptions of ordinary debates by uninhibited shouting which resemble the prelude to a street-brawl more than debates in a house of representatives are today taken almost as a matter of course, and M.K.'s are likely to shrug the whole matter off as the performance of some members who are notoriously hot-headed or fond of using altercations as a means of embarrassing the Government. But these very unpleasant interruptions cannot be taken lightly if they recur again and again.

First Importance

Some of the bills passed last week are of first-rate importance and have made headlines for weeks This is true of the Oil Bill, the prolongation of military service, the Development Budget and some new tax-bills.

Sandwiched between them was a bill which passed almost unnoticed but which was long overdue. The Government will from now on be responsible for damages caused by State employees. Mandatory regulations in force until now exempted the Government from this responsibility. Almost a year ago Dr. Rubin of Mapam, tried to remedy this by introducing an appropriate bill. The Government took the matter up and introduced a bill of its own which went even further than Dr. Rubin's suggestions. For the Government the law might mean considerable financial obligations, but there will be common agreement that it redresses an old wrong.

Voting during the last week proved again that the Government can rely on support from the General Zionists, the Progressives and to a certain extent even from Herut where matters of foreign policy or security are concerned. The non-confidence motion introduced by Mapam in connection with military aid from the United States drew a detailed statement from the Minister of Foreign Affairs which left no doubt as to the stand of the Government in this respect. The House was unable to debate the negotiations in detail because the clauses of the agreement were not revealed.

There was, however, widespread agreement as to the political line to be taken, and as in former divisions of this kind the Knesset split sharply with Mapam and the Communists on one side and all the other factions on the other.

Public Opinion

More than one complaint was heard that bills are tabled in the Knesset without any preliminary sounding of public opinion as to the desirability of new legislation. Last week for the first time a new bill dealing with the revision of bequests and inheritance was made public, not for tabling in the House, but for a general discussion among the public and in the press. This was done because the bill proposes changing the present position in personal status. At present the issues dealt with in the bill are under the jurisdiction of the Rabbinical courts, and the proposed changes would curtail this jurisdiction.

This obviously will arouse much opposition in the orthodox camp but will appeal to those large sections of the public which have long demanded some secularization and modernization of the laws of personal status. It is obvious that the Government must act in this field in close contact with public opinion, and that it will be possible to introduce far-reaching changes only if it can be shown that support for the bill is widespread. Moreover, the public will be asked to discuss the general trend which this new legislation is to follow.

G.Z. Protest

The strange behaviour of the General Zionists who left the House the week before last when their demand for a postponement of the voting on the income tax bill was not heeded had a sequel during the last days of the term. The General Zionists proclaimed that they would continue to fight against the new taxation system. This is a legitimate political declaration of war, but on the other hand a bill passed in the Knesset becomes law and must be observed by every citizen who does not proclaim disobedience. The Speaker, while pointing to the fact that a law passed by the House is binding, acknowledged at the same time the necessity for reforms in procedure. This has been more than confirmed by last week's unprecedented last minute rush.

HELP FOR NEWCOMERS PRESENTS PROBLEM

Emigres from Israel in Canada

By MONTY JACOBS

MONTREAL. — RECENT immigration laws promulgated by the Canadian Government may mean an end to the influx of hundreds of Israelis into Canada. The new regulations restrict immigration for Israelis to persons who can prove that they are going to join close relatives in the Dominion, or to persons who come into the "cases of exceptional merit" category. This section of the immigration ordinance also applies to Armenians, Assyrians, Iranians, Lebanese, Syrians and Turks.

But, under the previous, less stringent regulations, quite a number of Israelis did migrate to the Dominion while it is known that several hundred are still en route. The exact figures are difficult to ascertain. Canada lists its immigrants by race, and the Israelis, as a result, are classified as members of the Hebrew race, of whom 1,326 entered the country during the first five months of this year, as compared with a total immigration for the same period of 32,082. A senior immigration officer could offer no breakdown of the Hebrew figures that might reveal the Israel percentage.

Stranded in Rome

Well informed Jewish communal officials, however, estimated that the number of Israelis who had arrived in 1951 was 1,500. Several hundred more — of whom many have been rejected by the Canadian authorities — are known to be in Rome. There is constant contact on the subject between the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society in Rome and its counterpart in Montreal, which is the headquarters of the Immigrant Aid Organization for Canada.

Pointing out that the Israelis wanting to go to Canada had, in the majority of cases, given up their life in Israel without being certain that they would be granted Canadian immigration papers, Mr. Joseph Kage, Director of Social Services of the Canadian Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, said: "The tragedy is with those en route. I'm concerned with those who get stuck in Europe. I'm afraid it could create a new camp situation."

Mr. Kage said that immigration visas are issued only after applicants pass medical and civil tests. "Several hundred have been rejected," he reported. He added that his department is constantly receiving requests from Jewish organizations in Rome to find out if Canadian sponsors can send urgent financial aid to prospective Israeli immigrants who are either stranded, or are still waiting to be processed.

One of the first indications of a possible Israeli move to Canada came many months ago when members of the Canadian Jewish community began coming into the Immigrant Aid offices, asking for help to make out sponsors' papers for Israel visa applicants. In a few cases, Israelis wrote direct to the Aid Society, requesting that the institution become their sponsor. Such applications were turned down.

Own Responsibility

Concern for the influx of Jews from Israel was voiced by Mr. J. Segal, president of the Immigrant Aid Society, who warned that the Israelis must be prepared to take care of themselves in Canada. "We assist imigrants who are forced to leave because of an emergency, because of persecution... no one forces these people to leave Israel."

While adopting this attitude that the Israelis picked up and left of their own accord, Jewish charity officials do accept the social responsibility that needy Israelis impose on the community. Jewish immigrants in Canada who need help of any kind during their first six months in the country are the responsibility of the Immigrant Aid Society.

Using the motto "rehabilitation, not charity," the Society brings into play all possible community resources in helping those Israelis who come in. So far, between January and June of this year, 113 Israeli family units came in for help of one kind or another.

"They usually ask for money," Mr. Kage said. "They say their sponsors can't help We check that. Of the 113 we found 30 who merited financial assistance." The rest got help in finding work, finding homes, placing children in schools, getting a bed in hospital if they were sick. Mr. Kage said that his department is trying to ascertain, over a period of time, what are the reasons that caused the immigrants to move to Canada.

If an Israeli who has been more than six months in Canada needs help, he goes to the Jewish Family Service.

Certain Aid

"We give the Israelis the same help as we extend to any others," Mr. Goldman, the deputy director, said. "We assist them to make a minimal adjustment so that they can do without our help. We've not had many cases so far — perhaps about ten but they are coming in more frequently now." He instanced the case of a pregnant woman who had been deserted by her husband shortly after their arrival in Canada. Help had been extended to the woman until the baby was born.

Admitting that there had been a few Israelis seeking loans, an official of the Hebrew Loan Society quite pointedly added that no questions are asked applicants that would distinguish Israelis from others. "We don't investigate the applicants, we investigate the guarantors," Miss Esther Lewis, the society's accountant said.

There is no doubt, however, that communal officials are concerned over the influx of Israelis who, it is feared, may — if they do not adjust and make a living — impose an added and unexpected burden on the existing charity set up. Already there have been murmurings that the allocation of the combined campaign (Israel and local) funds be revised in case Canadian Jewish charities require added funds to cope with Israeli issues. This move, naturally, is being strenuously opposed by Israel official circles.

This is the first of two articles on Israelis in Canada.

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Readers' Letters

WILLING ASSISTANCE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — The item in your issue of August 26 "Talks on Increasing Jerusalem Electricity," conveys an erroneous picture regarding the assistance from the P.E.C.

In June of this year we appealed to the P.E.C. to help us out as serious breakdowns occurred at our Power Station. The P.E.C. immediately came to our assistance and have been doing so ever since. Without their help residents would have had to undergo severe hardships.

Yours etc.
Jerusalem Electric & Public Service Corporation Limited.
August 27.

BREAD RATIONING

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—The only way to prevent waste of bread is to ration it. In Bombay rice, wheat and bread, the staple foods of the population, are rationed. Perforated, fraud-proof coupons are issued for every week with the first and last date of the week on them. If no use is made of the coupons during the week for which they are issued the rations are lost. This prevents hoarding.

Mr. Lowengart's suggestion (your issue of August 22) that the price of bread be raised is unfair. The poor man's essentials should be made available to him at a reasonable price.

Yours etc.,
A. S. AARON
Petah Tikva, August 24.

MUSICAL DIARY

WE remember Igor Stravinsky's "L'Histoire du Soldat" from a performance of members of the P.B.S. orchestra under J. Patin, with Reggie Smith as the narrator, eight years ago. The same conductor offered Stravinsky's typical 1918 period piece with a first-rate chamber ensemble —Messrs. Fenyves, Breier, Etlinger, Rechtman, Wegman, Schneider and Grunwald at the Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday night. Yehuda Eren was the Hebrew narrator although his delivery of C. F. Ramuz's words about the deserting soldier and the devil seemed more suitable for —Prokofieff's "Peter and the Wolf." The Soldier's Tale is a temporary adaptation of the classical suite to jazz scored for two wood winds, two brass winds, two strings and percussion. There are waltz, tango, and ragtime rhythm, paso doble, chorales and marches. Stravinsky's effort to be popular is rather reminiscent of ballad-singing, sometimes like a forerunner of Brecht-Weill's "Dreigroschenoper." What is inimitable is the elementary Stravinsky rhythm, his use of the violin as the main character. The intricate score was marvellously rendered under the inspired direction of Mr. Patin.

Dybbuk as Opera

The American Vice-Consul, Mr. John Rhodes, has for some time offered recorded concerts for music lovers in his hospitable home. The audiences are composed mainly of students. Last Sunday he offered a complete recording of David Tamkin's opera, "The Dybbuk," and there were stencilled librettos in English of Ansky's play, on which the opera is based. Mr. Rhodes, who made a name for himself in the States as a musicologist and music editor, made a speech of introduction. The opera had its world premiere 20 years after it was composed, a fate which rarely turns out to be to the advantage of a stage work. Tamkin's approach is melodramatic. He adapted Ansky's words to a kind of "sprechgesang." There are some trends from Puccini; the orchestration is reminiscent of the early Richard Strauss. The composer, who generally worked for Hollywood pictures, sometimes succeeded in catching the mystic atmosphere of the Hassidic world, without disclosing new paths. The recording was made from a performance at the New York City opera last season, produced by Irving Pichel, the well-known Hollywood director, and conducted by Joseph Rosenstock, starring Robert Rounsevill (Hanan); Patricia Newny (Leah). *FRANCO*

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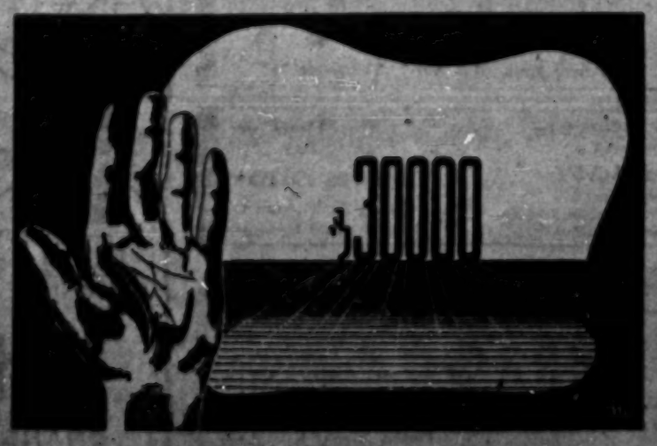

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Balance B/f from General Insurance Account	88,287,987	Balance B/f from Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account	602,491
Net Profit for the year	7,795,956	Balance B/f from General Administration Account	98,427,219
		Balance at the beginning of the year	617,796
	96,083,479		96,083,479

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1958.

Liabilities:	Fr. Frs.	Assets:	Fr. Frs.
Subscribed capital	100,000,000	Investments	2,837,897,500
Special Reserves	69,345,426	Agents Balances	861,221,345
Provision for unexpired risks and claims outstanding	2,345,255,480	Reinsurers Balances	1,038,500,200
Other provisions	68,302,522	Cash in hand with Banks and Postal orders	95,695,345
Agents Balances	95,167,872	Sundry Debtors	102,100,654
Reinsurers Balances	893,750,300	Redeemable commission on 1960 business	28,668,760
Sundry creditors	102,021,756		
Rent and Income in advance	402,670		
Profit and Loss Account	7,795,956		
	3,503,979,345		3,503,979,345

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS (in brief):

We have examined the accounts of your Company for the year ending December 31, 1958. The information that we required has been duly furnished to us. In our opinion the above balance sheet and profit and loss account, which have been audited by us, is correct. The books of account have been kept with general regularity. The balance sheet established in your offices exactly the statement of accounts at the end of the year.

TITTGEL, P. LEDGER
Commissioners.

Paris, June 30, 1959.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT IN ISRAEL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1958.

Debit:	IL. Pr.	IL. Pr.	Credit:	IL. Pr.	IL. Pr.
General expenses not debited to other Accounts:			Balance B/f from various Business statements of Insurance		2,241,420
Local office expenses	1,204,180		Interest not credited to other accounts	720,070	
Head office expenses	2,041,000	3,245,084	Less: Income Tax	60,500	659,570
			Balance, Net Loss		634,500
		3,245,084			3,245,084

AUDITORS' REPORT:

We have examined the Profit and Loss Account of LA PROTECTRICE, Insurance Company Ltd., in Israel as at December 31, 1958. We have obtained the explanations of Auditors required and the accounting procedures. We have found the Profit and Loss Account to be in accordance with the books of account, vouchers and other explanations, which we consider necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion the Profit and Loss Account gives a correct view of the business transacted by La Protectrice, Insurance Company Ltd., in Israel as at December 31, 1958 in accordance with generally accepted methods which have been maintained on the Head Office in Paris and reconciled with these figures ourselves.

BENSON COHEN & CO.
Public Accountants (Israel).

Tel Aviv, February 5, 1959.

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